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SUBJECT: RIYADH FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE

1. A CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS FOR THE CONFRONTATION AND SUPPORTING STATES MET IN RIYADH, SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, TO DECIDE ON FURTHER AID TO THE CONFRONTATION STATES. PRESENT AT THE MEETING WERE THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF EGYPT, SYRIA, JORDAN, SAUDI ARABIA, KUWAIT, UAE, QATAR, BAHRAIN AND THE PLO REPRESENTATIVE.

2. EGYPTIAN FONMIN FAHMY CAUSED A MINOR FLURRY BY WALKING OUT ONLY 45 MINUTES AFTER THE START OF THE CONFERENCE; HE AUTHORIZED SYRIAN FONMIN KHADDAM TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF BOTH SYRIA AND EGYPT. EMBASSY WAS TOLD THAT FAHMY ARRIVED IN RIYADH "IN A FOUL MOOD." PRESS PHOTOS OF HIS DEPARTURE DO NOT SHOW EVIDENCE OF AN APPRECIABLE LIFT IN HIS SPIRITS. FAHMI PLED PRIOR COMMITMENTS IN CAIRO, BUT LOCAL
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SPECULATION INTREPRETED HIS ABRUPT DEPARTURE TO SIGNAL OFFICIAL EGYPTIAN DISPLEASURE WITH WHAT IT CONSIDERS LOW LEVELS OF AID, LATE PAYMENTS, AND TOO MANY STRINGS ATTACHED TO THEIR USE. THERE WAS ALSO SPECULATION THAT THE EGYPTIANS WISHED TO CHANGE THE VENUE OF THE CONFERENCE TO CAIRO WHERE ARAB LEAGUE FOREIGN MINISTERS ARE DUE TO MEET JANUARY 5.

3. SAUD FONMIN SAUD BIN FAISAL DESCRIBED SUNDAY'S DISCUSSIONS AS "BROTHERLY" AND ADDED THAT ARAB SOLIDARITY WAS NECESSARY, WHETHER FOR WAR OR PEACE.

4. THE CONFERENCE IS SCHEDULED TO RECONVENE MONDAY MORNING JANUARY 10. PRESS SOURCES EXPECT THE CONFERENCE TO END WITH A GENERAL STATEMENT UNDERLINING ARAB SOLIDARITY, LEAVING CONCRETE ISSUES UNTIL THE CAIRO MEETING IN A WEEK'S TIME.
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